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CIA deputy director temporarily put in charge

Richard J. Kerr, deputy director of the CIA, will take over next week as acting director to replace William H. Webster, who is retiring, the agency said yesterday.

The CIA public affairs office said that Mr. Kerr will become acting director Monday and will serve until the new director is chosen.

Mr. Webster announced his retirement in May and said he would leave the agency at the end of July to go into private law practice. But he extended his service, at the request of President Bush, after the Senate held up confirmation of his designated successor, Robert M. Gates.

The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence postponed its hearings on Mr. Gates until Sept. 16 to pursue new information on his role in the Iran-contra affair.

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